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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Raffaele MORRONE et al.

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Application No. 10/048,120

Group 1651

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Examiner H. Lilling

USE OF ORTHOESTERS FOR THE SYNTHESIS  
OF CHIRAL ACIDS IN BIOCATALYZED  
IRREVERSIBLE ESTERIFICATION PROCESSES

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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October 18, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.